

Household Hazardous Waste

Volunteers Appreciated

Thank you for disposing of household hazardous waste **during scheduled hours** on the **3rd Saturday of August** each year. This concerted effort keeps our water, soils and landfills free from contamination.

Leftover household products containing corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients are all considered to be household hazardous waste (HHW). Paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides contain potentially hazardous ingredients and require special care when you dispose of them.

Improper disposal of toxic household waste (pouring them down drains, on the ground, into storm sewers, or in some cases putting them out with the trash) has long-term consequences. The dangers of such disposal methods might not be immediately obvious, but improper disposal of toxic wastes pollutes the environment and poses a threat to human health.

Benefits of Proper HHW Management

- Reduction and recycling conserves resources and energy that would be expended in the production of more products.
- Collection of toxic household chemicals keeps them out of landfills and prevents their leaking into groundwater.
- Proper disposal prevents pollution that endangers the health of human beings, pets, wildlife, and the environment.
- Involves the entire community in a cooperative commitment to protect the soil, land, and water of Manistee County.



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This free Household Hazardous Waste/Clean Sweep Collection takes many volunteers giving their time before and during the event. To ensure this program continues, we are looking for dedicated people to participate. If you would like to become involved, please contact the Manistee Conservation District at 231-889-9666, ext. 3
Many thanks go out to our dedicated volunteers!

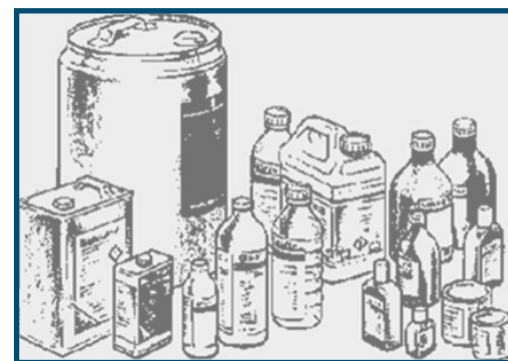
THANK YOU!

These programs are made possible through the Michigan Water Stewardship Clean Sweep Program, the Manistee Conservation District, the Household Hazardous Waste Committee, and by contributions from the county, townships, villages, cities and local government organizations.



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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION 2015



**Dispose of unused, unwanted, outdated
cleaners, pesticides, pharmaceuticals,
electronics and more...
FOR FREE!**

August 15, 2015

9 am – 2 pm

Collection Site:

Manistee Road Commission
8946 Chippewa Highway
(US-31 & 9 Mile Road)
Bear Lake, MI



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Acceptable Materials

From Your House

Aerosols	Medicines
Batteries	Mercury
Bug sprays	Metal polish
Cell phones	Muriatic acid
Chlorine bleach	Oven cleaners
Dry-cleaning solvents	Rust removers
Dyes	Sharps
Electronics:	Silver polish
computers/TV's/radios	Large Appliances—refrigerators, etc.
Fire Extinguishers	Small appliances
Floor care products	Ink cartridges
Florescent light bulbs	Lighter fluid

From Your Garage

Antifreeze	Gasoline
Brake fluid	Motor oil
Car batteries	Diesel fuel
Car wax	Kerosene
Engine cleaners	Oil/gas mixes
Grease	Fuel oil
Oil filters	Transmission fluid

From Your Workshop

Alcohols	Paint Products:
Creosote	• Oil-based paint
Glues/adhesives	• Latex paint (\$1 charge per can)
Epoxies	• Car paint
Paint brush cleaners	• Artist's paint
Polyurethane	• Paint thinners
Turpentine	• Paint strippers
Varnish/sealers	• Primer
Wood stain	

From Your Farm, Yard & Garden

Insect killers & repellants	Algaecides
Mouse/rat poison	Fertilizers
Pesticides	Fungicides
Pool chemicals	Herbicides
Weed killers	Insecticides

Unacceptable Materials

⇒ Ammunition	⇒ Infectious medical waste
⇒ Explosives	⇒ Radioactive materials
⇒ Ordinary house-hold trash	⇒ Tires
⇒ Asbestos	⇒ Waste from spills
⇒ Styrofoam	⇒ Fiberglass
	⇒ Construction material & debris

Tips for Safe Transport of Hazardous Materials:

- Keep items in their original and labeled containers.
- Do not mix contents of unknown or unlabeled containers.
- Make sure that the containers are not leaking prior to bringing them to a collection facility.
- Do not transport containers with open lids.
- Place chemicals in vehicle away from passengers.
- Secure all containers so they cannot slide, tip or spill contents.
- 55 gallon drums must be removed from premises by producer.

NOTE: All fluids must be in closed containers

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can use the program?

This program is available to **all** Manistee County residents. Hazardous waste will **not be accepted from businesses** except for pesticides, in which case farmers, greenhouses, nurseries, golf courses or other pesticide users may use this service.

What's new or different in 2015?

We are now accepting **latex paint** (with a **\$1 charge per can** to cover handling costs), car & household **batteries**, plus small appliances such as microwaves, small refrigerators, dehumidifiers, & window air conditioners. Manistee Conservation District will also host a collection area for **large appliances** including refrigerators, stoves, and freezers. Please note that there may be a Freon-collection charge associated with this service. Please stay tuned for further notice on this.

Which electronics will be accepted?

Office and household electronics including TVs, DVD and CD players, VCRs, radios, phones, gaming systems, answering machines, fax machines, etc. Computers and computer accessories are also accepted, including keyboards, modems, printers, scanners, and speakers.

Is there a limit to how much I can bring?

No. Any acceptable hazardous waste from your household is welcome. **Pre-registration** is required for amounts **exceeding 200 pounds**. Please call the Conservation District. At 231-889-9666, ext. 3

Can I drop off materials before or after the event?

No. Please drop off hazardous waste at collection sites **only during scheduled hours**.

What's the catch?

There is no catch. Participation is **free** (with the exception of a **\$1 charge per can of latex paint**). Of course, donations are accepted and very much appreciated to keep this program running.

